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In re Patent Application of:

Frank BOTHE

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Serial No.: 09/574,783

Group Art Unit: 3632

Filed: May 19, 2000

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For: CONNECTING UNIT FOR THE ANGLE-ADJUSTABLE CONNECTION OF AT  
LEAST TWO LOUDSPEAKER ENCLOSURES, AND CORRESPONDINGLY  
CONNECTED LOUDSPEAKER ENCLOSURES

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Asst. Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for  
filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by two months. The Commissioner is hereby  
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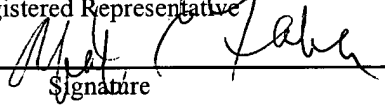
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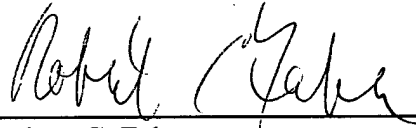
  
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Respectfully submitted,



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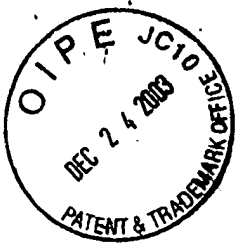
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

☒ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE	ADDIT. FEE
AMENDMENT		PAID FOR					
TOTAL	20	MINUS	20	* =	-0-	X (\$9 SE or \$18)	\$ -0-
INDEP.	3	MINUS	3	** =	-0-	X (\$42 SE or \$84)	\$ -0-
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					X	(\$140 SE or \$280)	\$ -0-
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### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1. ☐ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.